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Applicant : Cooper et al.
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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

To Whom It May Concern:

In response to the final Office Action of November 29, 2005, following the filing of a Notice of Appeal and Pre-Appeal Brief Request For Review on March 29, 2006 and the Notice of Panel Decision from Pre-Appeal Brief Review dated October 16, 2006, Applicants request that the above-identified application be amended under 37 CFR § 1.116 as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the list of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.